

INTERNATIONAL BOUNDARY AND WATER COMMISSION  
UNITED STATES AND MEXICO

Minute No. 258

Ciudad Juarez, Chihuahua  
July 26, 1984

MODIFICATION TO MINUTE NO. 253  
"MAPS OF THE INTERNATIONAL BOUNDARY IN THE  
RIO GRANDE AND IN THE COLORADO RIVER"

The Commission met in the offices of the Mexican Section at 10:00 a.m. on July 26, 1984, to consider modifying Minute No. 253, entitled "Maps of the International Boundary in the Rio Grande and in the Colorado River" of September 23, 1976, approved by the two Governments, to reflect the changes in the international boundary in the limitrophe section of the Rio Grande under Minute No. 257, entitled "Completion of the Relocations of the Rio Grande Stipulated in Article I of the Treaty of November 23, 1970," dated May 18, 1977, and approved by the two Governments.

The Commission noted that in Minute No. 253, it was not possible to delineate the international boundary in certain reaches of the Rio Grande until the provisions of Article I (F) were fulfilled, and agreed to review the delineation of the international boundary on five maps of the limitrophe section of the Rio Grande in the reaches of the Gordon Tract, upstream and near Hidalgo-Reynosa, Beaver Island, and the Presidio-Ojinaga Tracts prepared by the Commission after fulfillment of the provisions of Article I (F).

The Commission confirmed that the maps are based on aerial photographic surveys made by the two Sections of the Commission during the periods 1977, 1981, and 1982, controlled and rectified in accordance with standards established by the Commission, and prepared on a Mercator projection on the scale of 1:20,000.

The Commission confirmed that engineers of its two Sections jointly delineated with appropriate precision in accordance with the terms of Article II (A) of the 1970 Boundary Treaty the international boundary on the aforementioned five maps and that each of the Commissioners reviewed these delineations.

The Commission noted that the Mexican Section prepared maps numbers seven, ten and fifteen and performed the aerial photography surveys on which these maps were based for the limitrophe section of the Rio Grande in the Gordon Tract, upstream and near Hidalgo-Reynosa, and the Beaver Island reaches, respectively, and the United States Section prepared maps numbers seventy-one and seventy-two for the limitrophe section of the Rio Grande in the Presidio-Ojinaga Tracts and performed the aerial photography surveys on which these maps were based. The Commissioners considered this division of work as satisfactory fulfillment of the provision in the 1970 Boundary Treaty that each Government bear half the costs and other expenses for the surveys and maps relating to the boundary.

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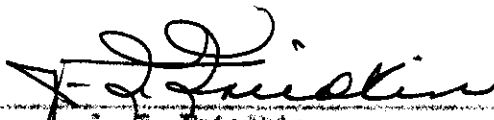
The Commissioners made a final review of the five maps and concurred that, with the above agreements, the delineation of the international boundary on them conforms to the provisions of the 1870 Boundary Treaty, and they proceeded to sign a set of original maps and a set of reproducible maps for each of the two Sections of the Commission.

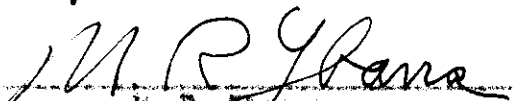
Based on the above considerations, the Commission adopted the following resolutions:

1. The aforementioned five maps of the Rio Grande show the delineation of the international boundary with appropriate precision for the dates of the aerial photographic flights noted on each of them and, accordingly, they are approved.


2. The copies of the aforementioned maps form a part and are attached to Minute No. 253, which is modified so that these maps, numbers 7, 10, 15, 71 and 72 replace those similarly numbered in Minute No. 253.

The meeting was adjourned.

  
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Commissioner for the United States

  
H. P. Thorne  
United States Section Secretary

  
Joaquin Bustamante R.  
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